

## **Old McKendree Board of Trustees**

### **Minutes: July 11, 2009**

The Old McKendree Board of Trustees met July 11, 2009 at the Chapel.

President Jack Byrd presided with the following members in attendance: Paul Nothdurft, David Myers, Jerry Willer, Alice Lewis, Beverly Piepenbrok, Lynn Cotner, Marybelle Mueller, Weldon Macke, James Sanderson, Brad and Beth Biri and Betty Henry.

Jerry Willer gave the opening prayer.

The minutes from the January meeting were read and approved.

Minutes from an executive officers meeting held May 26 concerning the use of Chapel Lane by land developers were read. At this meeting Officers reaffirmed the Board's position to deny such access.

Minutes from a meeting held with representatives of Jackson on June 4, 2009 concerning the access road from Old Orchard to East Main were also read. The new proposed route will no longer cross Chapel Lane with a bridge.

Copies of the treasurer's report were distributed. Insurance for the property is now being covered by Church Mutual.

Brad reported that the roof will be replaced on the caretaker's house this month.

Jack had the sign at the entrance to Chapel Lane repaired. Lynn moved that the bill be paid from the treasury. Jerry seconded the motion and it passed.

Workers from Memorial Park with the direction of Walter Joe Ford repaired existing grave markers and erected the marker noting the burial of Cumberland Presbyterian Reverend Joshua White as the first in the cemetery.

Discussion about the cemetery mowing led to a motion by Lynn authorizing David to contact current mowers Rockhill, decide if they can continue, or replace if necessary. The motion was seconded by Weldon and passed. There are other bids currently available if a replacement is needed.

Weldon moved that spraying be done around the grave markers and fence areas to lessen the amount of trimming in the cemetery. Jerry seconded the motion and it passed. David will relay this to the mowers.

Following up on the caretaker's responsibilities, Brad agreed to keep up mowing and trimming on a regular basis and clean the restrooms when they are opened.

Weldon presented the idea of building a new District office north of the parking area north of the Chapel. Much discussion followed with members responding favorably. More information will be forthcoming as the plans progress. A sign will be erected to designate the Natural Habitat area between the caretaker's yard and the Chapel grounds.

David will check into getting the spring area cleaned out. Jack reminded members that the spring was a major reason for the location of the Chapel.

Annual Service Plans-

Speaker – Rev. Cleo Kottwitz

Music – Alice and Rodney

Ushers – David

Refreshments – Beth and Weldon

Advertising – Weldon will make contacts and Jack will provide information and the District Office will be asked to help also.

Jack appointed James chairman of Nominations. Serving with him will be Beverly and Alice.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Betty Poe Henry